

THE EUROPEAN WAR

A Unanimous Opinion in London That It Will Soon End.

THE OUTLOOK GLOOMY AT ATHENS.

Great Joy at Constantinople Over the Triumph of the Turkish Arms—Greece Said to Be Preparing to Negotiate with Turkey.

LONDON, April 26.—What seems likely to be the last week of the war is entered upon to-day. It is difficult from the tangle of conflicting telegrams to understand the exact position of affairs. Following the Greek defeat at Larissa, London opinion to-day is almost unanimous that the end is in sight, and this view is probably shared by the powers, as they are already moving to intervene. It is believed that intervention will first take the form of a suggestion of armistice, to which the combatants would, no doubt, agree. Since Saturday afternoon the British foreign office has been in close communication with the other members of the European concert, Great Britain, suggesting that the time has now arrived for them to act. The French, German and Italian governments have already responded, offering to agree, though the German governments adds as a condition that it will be necessary to exact a pledge from Greece to obey the mandate of Europe when this mandate is again given.

The British foreign office believes that Greece will give this pledge, as the disasters which have overtaken her have demonstrated that Turkey still possesses a formidable fighting machine, a fact which must have a sobering effect upon the popular demand for war at Athens, and which will permit the Greek nation to climb down without disgrace, after a superb vindication of the personal courage of the Greek troops and a gratifying demonstration of Hellenic patriotism. If the Greeks listen to reason and arguments pressed at Athens and Russia at Constantinople, it is not improbable that a decision will be reached by Tuesday, before which it is not supposed here that Edhem Pasha or Osman Pasha will have time to do more than to appear at Pharsala.

THE OUTLOOK GLOOMY AT ATHENS.
ATHENS, April 24.—It is useless to deny that a very gloomy outlook of the war prospect is taken here by the better informed. There are, however, no signs of panic. The city exhibits an attitude of dignified endurance, while many persons still show an unabated enthusiasm for fight. This symptom is particularly noticeable among the wounded now in Athens. Their one desire seems to be healed in order that they may rejoin the colors. Naturally, this spirit is much fostered by the confirmation of the reports that the Turks have burned the Greek wounded in a church at Kurtzavoli. The Turks lighted fires under the bodies of wounded beasts. Many of the Greek wounded implored their comrades to kill them; others committed suicide. Although it is said that the Greeks carried off all their guns from Tyrnavo and Larissa, and also destroyed the provisions at both places, they could not transport the guns to Pharsala. It is reluctantly believed by some in Athenian circles that the retreat was somewhat disorderly, and that some of the guns were abandoned with but feeble defense.

GREAT JOY IN CONSTANTINOPLE.
CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26.—The triumph of the Turkish arms has caused the liveliest satisfaction here. The Ottoman troops continue to advance toward the plain of Larissa. Osman Pasha has been given secret instructions. A dispatch from Smyrna says that the redifs, who were called out Saturday, are intended for the towns of Smyrna, Varta and Scalanova, in order to prevent disturbances by the Greek residents there. The consuls at Janina telegraphed to the foreign ambassadors here that the Albanian battalions had mutinied and were refusing to march, as well as threatening to attack the town. The Mussulman population, according to these advices, has quitted Janina en masse, some fleeing into the country and others taking refuge in the fortress.

GREECE IS INDEPENDENT.
PARIS, April 26.—The Figaro's Berlin correspondent says it is semi-officially announced that Greece will neither solicit nor accept the intervention of the powers, and is preparing to negotiate direct with Turkey.

Gen. Miles to Visit the Seat of War.
WASHINGTON, April 26.—Gen. Miles has been notified of the president's approval of his projected visit to the seat of war in Europe. He will leave Washington early in May, probably taking passage on the St. Paul from New York. At Paris, the general will board the Oriental express and go through without stop to Constantinople. His future movement will depend entirely upon the progress of the war but it is his intention to keep as near as possible to the scene of actual hostilities so that he may be in either camp.

Judge Day Will Not Go to Cuba.
WASHINGTON, April 26.—The selection of Judge Day to be assistant secretary of state overturns the plans of the president to send him to Cuba as special counsel to watch the prosecution of the Ruiz investigation.

THE REFORM CLUB DINNER.

Ex-President Cleveland, ex-Secretary Carlisle and Others Respond to Toasts.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Five hundred guests sat down to the annual dinner of the Reform club at the Waldorf Saturday night and cheered to the echo sentiments from the lips of sound money and tariff reform democrats. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed and long-continued applause greeted the appearance of ex-President Cleveland, the first speaker of the evening, who responded to the toast "Present Problems" in a lengthy speech. He said among other things:

On every side we are confronted with popular depression and complaint. These are largely due to causes of natural and certain recurrence, as the inevitable accompaniment of all human endeavor, and perhaps they are as largely due to the work of agitators and demagogues who have busily sowed the seeds of discontent in order that in the harvest they may reap personal advantage.

Let true democrats meet the passion and bitterness of their former associates who have assumed the leadership of anti-democratic wanderings with firm expostulations, reminding them that democratic convictions and democratic conscience cannot be forced to follow false lights, however held aloft; and let us at the same time treat them in the name of honorable political comradeship and in the memory of glorious victories won by a united democracy, to turn from the way that leads to party defeat and destruction.

Ex-Secretary John G. Carlisle responded to the toast "Sound Currency," saying:

In my opinion the official agitation now going on in favor of an international monetary conference is not merely useless, but harmful in the highest degree to all great interests dependent upon a permanent and proper adjustment of our currency system. No partisan considerations, no vain hope of holding together incongruous political elements or diminishing the demands of silver monometallists, can at a time like this justify or even excuse persistence in a movement which the whole world knows is a mere pretense, but which is nevertheless a distinct and dangerous concession to the theory of free coinage and flatism, and is, for that reason if for no other, injurious to the cause of sound money and to all the material interests of the country.

Ex-Postmaster-General William L. Wilson, responding to the toast "Tariff Reform," said among other things:

Gentlemen, tariff reform is not a lost cause. It can never be a dead or a minor issue in the presence of a measure whose certain effect will be to lessen the productive power of the American people, to make unjust distribution of the wealth, and prosperity which all labor to achieve and which each should share in proportion to the effectiveness of his labor.

W. D. Bynum, of Indiana, responded to the toast of "The National Democracy." Senator Caffery, of Louisiana, and several other leading democrats also made speeches.

FLOODS IN THE WEST.

Many Buildings Washed Away, Railroad Traffic Impeded and Stock Drowned.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 26.—Special dispatches tend to show that the territory including portions of Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa experienced the heaviest rainstorms in their history between midnight and morning Sunday. In northern Kansas more rain fell within six hours than often falls in six months. Many small buildings were washed away and there was actual fear that entire towns would be swept off into the swelling streams. The rise of the water in parts of Nebraska was so rapid that people sleeping in the first stories of their homes narrowly escaped drowning in their beds. They were compelled to take refuge in the upper stories and on the roofs, and in many instances, rescuers, with boats, took half-dressed people from trees, into which they had climbed in their forced retreat.

A telegram from Topeka, Kan., says: The Kaw river at this point is higher than it has been for the past eight years, and it is still rising at the rate of two inches an hour. Reports from central Kansas indicate that the rise will continue for 24 hours or perhaps longer. Driftwood is coming down the river in great quantities. Much of it has lodged against the street railway bridge on Kansas avenue, and fears are entertained for the safety of the structure.

From Manhattan, Kan., comes the word that farmers in that and neighboring counties lost considerable stock by the overflow of local streams. Ninety-five head of hogs belonging to a farmer on McIntyre creek were washed away.

At Ottumwa, Ia., the river broke over the levees and flooded the bottoms, carrying several houses down stream. In some places the water is above the first story of the houses. One Burlington main track is impassable and hundreds of men are at work attempting to prevent damage to the other line.

As a result of the heavy storm and consequent rise of the Blue river at Beatrice, Neb., 200 houses were flooded and 1,100 people were driven from their homes. All of them were provided with food, clothing and lodging.

Nice Point Involving Lodge Ritual.

DUBUQUE, Ia., April 26.—George Harris, the man who was injured while being initiated in the Modern Woodmen, has filed a petition for an order requiring the organization to produce its ritual. Harris brought suit for his injuries, claiming \$25,000 damages. He claims that the proceedings were according to the ritual and he wants the ritual produced in court.

Kansas Bribery Investigation.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 26.—The bribery investigation committee will resume operations here Tuesday. An effort will be made to complete the investigation this week. Senator Lewelling will be one of the witnesses. It is said that he will explain the story told by Warden Landis and deny the story told by Senator Titus.

POOLING BILL AMENDMENT.

Senator Harris, of Kansas, Will Introduce an Interesting Measure in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Senator Harris, of Kansas, has prepared an important amendment to the Foraker pooling bill, which he will introduce in the senate next week. It provides for an entire reversal of the plan of authorizing pooling contracts as contemplated in the Foraker bill, and it meets with the favor of all who are interested in seeing that the railroads are given no unfair advantage over the shippers and that all interests are equally protected. His amendment provides that a full and complete schedule of the maximum rates and charges, together with the



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classification of all goods, commodities or merchandise which shall be enforced, charged or used in the business of such common carriers shall be submitted to the interstate commerce commission, and by the commission shall be approved as just and reasonable before such contracts as suggested in the pooling bill shall be authorized. This would afford a national maximum rate schedule. It would give it also complete authority to regulate common carriers by granting it power to refuse assent to pooling contracts where the rates were not fair and equitable. The meat of the contention between the representatives of the people and corporations is included in Senator Harris' amendment.

NEW TURKISH CHIEF.

Osman Pasha, the Hero of Pierna, Supplants Edhem Pasha as Commander-in-Chief.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 24.—An additional force of redifs, or army reserves, has been called out to reinforce the Turkish troops operating against the Greeks. These men will total up 73 additional battalions of troops, numbering 50,400 men. It is now definitely announced that Osman Pasha, the hero of Pierna, has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Turkish army having its headquarters at Elasona. Edhem Pasha has been recalled.



OSMAN PASHA.

(Chief Commander of the Turkish Army). In addition, Saad Edin Pasha has been appointed to command the Turkish army having its headquarters at Janina, replacing Ahmed Hifzi Pasha, who is also recalled. The new Turkish commanders started for their posts yesterday evening. In spite of the difficulties encountered, no doubt is felt among the Turkish military men here that the Turks will ultimately occupy Larissa, although it is admitted the task will be harder than at first imagined, the government having confidently expected to capture the Greek headquarters by Tuesday morning last.

Possible Change in McKinley's Cabinet.

CHICAGO, April 24.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: Although President McKinley has made no disclosures concerning the matter so far as is known, nor any of the other persons directly interested, there is an understanding that when the first vacancy occurs upon the supreme bench Attorney-General McKenna will be appointed to a place upon the court, and Judge William R. Day, of Canton, will be his successor.

A Nun Renounces Her Vows.

FORT WORTH, Tex., April 24.—Sister Lucy, music teacher in the Catholic convent at Beaumont, put aside the nun's veil, borrowed a costume from a servant and went into the town to live as a music teacher. Her name is Miss May Williams and her home is in the north. She is beautiful and highly cultured. She says she did not leave the convent because she was dissatisfied with the treatment or the religion.

Good Places for Ohio Men.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—President McKinley has decided to nominate William R. Day, of Canton, O., to be first assistant secretary of state, and ex-representative Bellamy Storer, of Cincinnati, to be minister to Belgium. These nominations were to have been sent to the senate yesterday, but owing to that body's adjournment over until Monday will not go in until next week.

GRAND ARMY RATES.

Western Railroads Refuse to Grant Commander-in-Chief Clarkson's Request.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Some time ago the western roads had before them the question of reduced rates for the Grand Army encampment, to be held at Buffalo next September. They agreed upon a one-way rate for the round trip to the eastern gateways of the western roads, to be added to the one cent per mile rate made by the roads east thereof to Buffalo. This rate did not suit the Grand Army men, and Gen. Clarkson, as commander-in-chief, asked the western roads to reconsider their action and make a one cent per mile rate. The western roads had this request under consideration yesterday. They refused to make a lower than one-way rate, and the only concession they would make in their former arrangements was to grant an extension of the return limits to the same basis as has been adopted by the roads east of Chicago.

TO "EQUALIZE" JUSTICE.

Gov. Leedy, of Kansas, Says the Law Is More Severe on Petty Offenders Than Big Ones.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 24.—Gov. John W. Leedy is out with a brand new reform. He says that the criminal laws of Kansas are discriminative; that the penalty for trivial offenses often is more severe than for great crimes; that the unfortunate who steals to prevent starvation often is given a harder sentence than is the man who robs whole communities as a bank cashier. He proposes as a remedy to examine the records of the prisoners in the state penitentiary, and by the exercise of the pardoning power to "make the punishment fit the crime." The governor left for Lansing yesterday for this purpose.

AN AGREEMENT REACHED.

Dawes Commission and Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians Come to Terms.

ATOKA, I. T., April 24.—The Dawes commission has reached an agreement with the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian commissioners for a division of their lands. The agreement makes provisions for townsites, persons owning substantial improvements to be permitted to purchase lots on which buildings are already erected at two-thirds of the actual value; all coal and mineral interests are reserved for the respective nations; individual royalties are to cease on the ratification of the agreement by congress and the allotment of the lands is to take place immediately upon its approval.

A CARELESS BOY.

He Turns a Coal Car Loose and Two Men Are Killed as a Result.

WEBB CITY, Mo., April 24.—A horrible accident occurred late last evening at the Duennweg mines, six miles northeast of here, causing the instant death of William McKibley and injuring Anson Knight so he died to-day. A boy recklessly turned a coal car loose, which fell down the shaft onto the men. McKibley resided at Aurora and leaves a wife and five children. Knight resided at Duennweg and leaves a widow and three children.

TWENTY-ONE LOST.

Crew of an Overdue Ship Undoubtedly Drowned, Including the Captain's Family.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—The revenue cutter Rush has returned after an unsuccessful search for the overdue ship Samaria, bound from Seattle for San Francisco. The Rush was 200 miles up the coast, but found no trace of the ship. The Samaria, with her crew, and the captain's wife and two children, is undoubtedly at the bottom of the sea. There were 21 all told on board.

A WOMAN'S AWFUL DEED.

Mrs. Albert Hovey Horribly Mutilates Her Aged Mother-in-Law at Williamston, Mich.

LANSING, Mich., April 24.—At Williamston, 14 miles east of here, Mrs. Albert Hovey, aged 33 years, murdered her aged mother-in-law with an ax sometime between eight o'clock and noon yesterday. She severed the head entirely from the body and then poured oil on the lifeless body and set it on fire. The murdered woman was 80 years old and lived with her son's family in the village.

BOY HANGS HIMSELF.

An Atchison Youth Commits Suicide Because His Father Punished Him.

ATCHISON, Kan., April 24.—The body of John Wallingford, a colored boy, 13 years of age, was found hanging from the limb of a tree in his father's pasture near Port Williams, Atchison county, yesterday. His father found it necessary to punish him during the early part of the week, and he left home in a sulk. He evidently committed suicide. His body had been hanging to the tree several days.

A PREACHER'S DOWNFALL.

Rev. H. C. Farrar Expelled from the Methodist Church.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., April 24.—Rev. Dr. H. C. Farrar, ex-pastor of St. Luke's church, Albany, was yesterday expelled from the Methodist Episcopal church and the ministry at the Troy conference. The accusation against Dr. Farrar was adultery. He was formerly president of the state Sunday school association, held high rank among the Methodist preachers of the state and is a grandfather.

THE WORK OF CONGRESS.

Condensed Proceedings of the Senate and House in Extra Session.

THE senate on the 19th passed the Indian appropriation bill. The bill was amended so that if the leaders of the five tribes do not come to terms with the Dawes commission within the next eight months the power of self-government will be taken from them. The senate afterwards agreed to vote on the arbitration treaty on the 26th of May at four p. m. The house was not in session.

THE Cuban resolution of Senator Morgan (La.) was briefly discussed in the senate on the 20th. It went over for a week owing to the absence of Senator Hale (Me.), who has been active in his opposition to the resolution. Senator Mason (Ill.) offered a resolution directing the committee on rules to report a rule for limiting debate. It went over. The agricultural bill was then taken up and passed. The bill of the bankruptcy bill was formally laid before the senate. The resolution of Senator Hoar (Mass.) asking the secretary of state for information about methods of foreign government was agreed to. A resolution by Senator Cullum (Ill.) about the effect of the internal revenue tax on honest and dishonest distilling, went over after a brief discussion. The house was not in session.

SENATOR MARION (Ill.) made his maiden speech in the senate on the 21st in support of his resolution directing a rule to be reported by the rules committee by which debate could be closed and the previous question ordered. The speech was signalized by some breezy criticisms on the rules of the senate. The resolution was referred. It was agreed that a committee of 15 should represent the senate at the Grant ceremonies at New York. The business of the day was given to the bankruptcy bill. In the house Mr. Stone (Pa.) introduced a resolution providing that appropriation bills returned from the senate be privileged and that a vote be taken on them after one hour's debate. The death of Mr. Milliken (Me.) was then announced and the house adjourned out of respect after a ten-minute session.

In the senate on the 22d Senator Allen (Neb.) offered a resolution that the president express the sympathy of this country to the Greek government. It was referred. In a debate on senate committees Senator Morgan (La.) made a speech of unusual severity and denounced the subordination of business to politics. Senator Allen (Neb.) proposed a complete cessation of senate business, except to consider appropriation bills, until committees were filled. His resolution finally went over after a heated debate. The Nelson bankruptcy bill was passed by a vote of 49 to 8. The free homestead bill was taken up and made unfinished business. A committee of five senators was appointed to accompany the remains of Congressman Holman to Indiana and an adjournment was then taken until the 25th. The house took up the Indian appropriation bill and refused to concur in the senate amendment for establishing an Indian warehouse at Omaha, Neb. Mr. Latham (Tex.) introduced a bill entitled "to reduce the expenditures of the government, to decrease federal salaries and to discourage the office-seeking industry," which provides for a reduction in the salaries of all persons on the rolls of the United States 33 1/3 per cent. The death of Mr. Holman (Ind.) was then announced, a committee appointed to take charge of his funeral and the house adjourned as a mark of respect.

THE senate was not in session on the 23d. The house completed the consideration of the senate amendments to the Indian appropriation bill and sent the bill to conference. Mr. Bland (Mo.) attempted to secure action on a resolution relative to the Union Pacific railroad mortgages, but the speaker ruled that it was not privileged. Mr. Dorr (W. Va.) introduced a bill to repeal the civil service law. Mr. McGuire (Cal.) introduced a resolution, which was referred, for extending the sympathy of the United States to Greece in her war with Turkey. A committee of 25 was appointed to attend the dedication of the Grant tomb at New York and a programme for three-day adjournments agreed to.

FORCED FROM THEIR HOME.

Fittable Condition of Farmers on Mississippi River Bottoms Near Quincy, Ill.

QUINCY, Ill., April 22.—The Mississippi river at this point is steadily rising. The steamer Harry Hock rescued six families whose homes in the bottoms north of the city were surrounded by water. At Warsaw, Ill., the Mississippi has passed the 15-foot mark, and people are now leaving portions of the districts protected by the levee. At Keithsburg, Ill., the river is now at its highest point for several years and the condition of the bottom and island farmers is pitiful.

Lively Times in Cheyenne County, Ok.

EL RENO, Ok., April 24.—During a little controversy near Arapahoe, Custer county, between L. M. Coots and son Gus on one side and Bert Atchison and some friend on the other, the elder Coots was killed and Gus dangerously wounded. This is the fourth battle reported from Cheyenne county, with a total of five killed and three wounded since Monday last.

A Subject Buried for Three Days.

SIMCOE, Ont., April 24.—The man hypnotized and buried in the ground for three days has been disinterred. Great crowds followed the box containing the body to the opera house. As the man was being brought back to a normal condition he was very restless and finally smashed the box he was in to pieces. It required five men to control him in his struggles until he was fully restored to consciousness.

Japanese Coming into the United States.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—The Japanese, having been turned away from Hawaii, are trying to gain an entrance into the United States. Fifty Japanese laborers arrived from British Columbia to work in California orchards and fields. The immigration commissioner is investigating the report that Japanese are coming hither under contract.

A Big Arkansas Shortage.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 24.—George B. Allis, master in chancery, appointed to audit the books of S. P. Buchanan, ex-treasurer of the insane asylum, has filed his findings in the chancery court. He reports that the books and accounts were found in a chaotic condition and declares the total shortage to be \$12,829.

Barnes Will Be Appointed.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—It is understood that the president will pay no attention to the charges against C. M. Barnes, and will send the name to the senate on Monday for the Oklahoma governorship.